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FEDERAL FUNDING SECURED FOR OUTDOOR RECREATION PROJECTS

The federal Land and Water Conservation Fund is providing funding for the development of outdoor recreation via the Louisiana Office of State Parks.

This year, LWCF approved \$697,679 in funding for three new outdoor recreation projects in Louisiana.

The most recently awarded projects have each been approved to receive \$200,000 in federal matching funds for the development of their outdoor recreation facilities:

- Creation of a dog park, walking trails and other support facilities at Lamendola Park in Gonzales.
- The addition of sports and play fields as well as swimming and fishing facilities at William T. Polk Park in Vidalia.
- The addition of sports and play fields and picnic facilities at Rathborne Park near Luling.

LWCF, created with the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, helps create and maintain recreational resources throughout the U.S. Since the LWCF was created, it has provided more than \$71.4 million for development of outdoor recreation facilities throughout Louisiana, providing grants for more than 900 projects.

Grant applications are due April 1 annually. Municipalities can find more information about LWCF and apply for grants by visiting www.LaStateParks.com.

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